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IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

Page 7, please replace the first two paragraphs with the following:

Fig 3 shows the mean +/- SEM of the mean of luciferase activity in cells in which CEM CREM, or anti-sense-CREM or empty vectors were introduced. This is the first demonstration that antisense CREM can enhance the activity of the IL2 promoter;

Fig 4A shows a digital image of a Western blot from lysates form from cells treated with either an empty vector or anti-sense CREM. The first lane is from a blot with anti-CREM antibody and shows that anti-sense decreases the amounts of CREM protein. The second is from a blot with anti-CREB antibody and the third from a blot with anti-beta-actin. That last two blots show that the effect in limited to CREM and therefore it is specific;